



INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

ORIGINATING OFFICE Westport

TO (LOCATION) Westport

FROM

E.L. Conant

DATE 8/16/78

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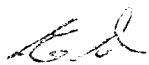
The attached refers to a portion of the Niagara Falls Love Canal used by Stauffer in the early 1950's. This portion is approximately 5 miles from the former Hooker-landfill section of the Canal.

Based on sketchy recollections and upon knowledge of what products were being manufactured during that period, it is believed that the principal materials buried were cinders from boiler operation and diaphragm cell portions (concrete, graphite). Additionally, there was likely scrap sulfur, some metal chlorides waste and general plant rubble.

Although a recent news article mentioned a corroded water main in the Canal area in 1965 with a yellow material visible around the pipe when excavated, sewer lines were installed in the area just a few months ago and no chemical materials were noticed in these extensive excavations. This is the observation of a Stauffer technician who lives in the area.

The technician and Howard Baney inspected this portion of the Canal yesterday. It consists of perfectly level ground and homes with healthy looking lawns. There is no visible surface evidence of the old landfill.

The attached was dictated by phone by Howard Baney, Niagara Falls Plant, 8/16/78.


E.L. Conant

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SAFEGUARD COMPANY INFORMATION

Niagara Gazette - August 15, 1978

TORONTO FIRM EYED FOR A SOIL ANALYSIS (DATELINE LEWISTON)

Town Supervisor James A. Lombardi said Monday night he will contact the Dominion Soil and Analysis Company in Toronto for an estimate on test borings and soil analysis in the Lewiston portion of the Love Canal. He said if he can obtain a proposal from the Dominion firm within next week he will call a special town board meeting to authorize action.

Lombardi said he will request from 20-25 borings in the area that runs from Escarpement Drive South to Upper Mountain Road. The Town Supervisor has also appointed Councilman Richard Kolke and Highway Superintendent Calvin Schultz to join him Saturday in meeting with residents of the area.

Lombardi said he appointed Stephen J. Murkins of 1146 Escarpement Drive, a former town councilman, and Harry Wood of 1136 Elliott Drive as citizens to serve on the committee.

Lombardi said five houses in the area were especially effected. He said the basic problems were health and property values.

Lombardi said when he contacted the State Department of Environmental Conservation and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency about checking the Lewiston end of the canal, the agency said they did not have enough manpower, had not received citizens complaints and that it was not considered a "high priority area."

Lombardi said he had spoken Monday with officials from the county health department who said the state would do testing in the area next month but not in depth.